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TITLE: "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MATCHING AT LEAST ONE VISUALIZED MEDICAL MEASURED RESULT WITH AT LEAST ONE FURTHER DATASET CONTAINING SPATIAL INFORMATION"

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AL German OS 198 46 687

AM German PS 196 39 615

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

The above references were identified and discussed at pages 5 and 6 of the present application, and Applicants stand by the statements in the specification concerning the teachings of these references. These references also were cited by the German Patent and Trademark Office during examination of the German application corresponding to the present United States application.

Copies of the above references are submitted herewith, together with Form 1449. English translations of these references are not readily available to the Applicants, however, the aforementioned statements in the specification constitute summaries of their respective teachings.



This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted within three months of the filing date of the present application, and is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(1), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above References, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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